

A device for separating copies of a flat sheet material mutually adjacently conveyed on paths defining a common wedge-shaped region, one of the copies of the flat sheet material passing over in a transfer region to the respective path whereon the other of the copies is conveyed, includes a guiding device for maintaining a separation of the copies, said guiding device being accommodated in the wedge-shaped region; and a printing unit, a rotary printing machine and a multicolor rotary printing machine, respectively, having such a separating device.

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